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WITH GOJ

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ERDA FOR A. FRIEDMAN, J. LIVERMAN, J. WHITNAH

NARECO FOR A. ROSENTHAL, B. KROPP

1. EMBASSY WOULD APPRECIATE DEPARTMENT'S ADVISE AS TO APPROPRIATENESS OF EXCHANGE OF NOTES ON OCCASION OF DISSOLUTION OF ABCC (REFTEL).

2. EMBOFFS MET VERY BRIEFLY MARCH 14 WITH FONOFF OFFICIAL (MATSUOZAWA) AND EXCHANGED INITIAL DRAFTS OF GOJ AND USG NOTES. EMBOFFS PLAN TO MEET FONOFF AGAIN MARCH 17 TO REFINER PROPOSALS. FONOFF'S POSITION IS THAT NOTES SHOULD BE EXCHANGED ON APRIL FIRST.

3. TEXT OF GOJ DRAFT NOTE FOLLOWS. THIS DRAFT HAS BEEN CLEARED WITHIN FONOFF.

BEGIN TEXT. BEI HOKU 1 NO. ..., APRIL 1, 1975

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THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS PRESENTS ITS COMPLIMENTS TO

THE EMBASSY OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA AND HAS THE HONOR TO ACKNOWLEDGE THE RECEIPT OF THE EMBASSY'S NOTE-VERBALE NO. ... OF TODAY'S DATE CONCERNING THE DISSOLUTION OF THE ATOMIC BOMB CASUALTY COMMISSION.

IN THIS CONNECTION, THE MINISTRY HAS FURTHER THE HONOR TO REFER TO THE MINISTRY'S NOTE-VERBALE BEI HOKU 1 NO. 82 DATED APRIL 2, 1973 AND THE EMBASSY'S NOTE-VERBALE NO. 152 OF THE SAME DATE, CONCERNING THE ATOMIC BOMB CASUALTY COMMISSION, AND TO INFORM THE EMBASSY THAT, UPON THE DISSOLUTION OF THE ABCC, ITS STAFF MEMBERS OF AMERICAN NATIONALITY CAN NO LONGER BE DEEMED TO POSSESS THE ATTRIBUTES OF EMPLOYEES OF A UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT AGENCY ON AND AFTER THE DATE OF THIS NOTE. END TEXT.

4. TEXT OF USG DRAFT FOLLOWS. THIS IS COMBINATION OF EMBOFF'S IDEAS AND FONOFF'S DRAFT.

BEGIN TEXT. APRIL 1, 1975

THE EMBASSY OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA PRESENTS ITS COMPLIMENTS TO THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS OF JAPAN AND, REFERRING TO THE MINISTRY'S NOTE VERBALE BEI HOKU 1 #83 OF APRIL 2, 1973, HAS THE HONOR TO INFORM THE MINISTRY THAT THE ATOMIC BOMB CASUALTY COMMISSION (ALSO KNOWN AS THE ABCC) LOCATED IN HIROSHIMA AND NAGASAKI CITIES, WHICH HAS HAD THE STATUS OF AN AGENCY OF THE UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT IN JAPAN SINCE APRIL 2, 1973, WAS DISSOLVED ON APRIL 1, 1975, UPON THE CREATION OF THE RADIATION EFFECTS RESEARCH FOUNDATION, A FOUNDATION INCORPORATED UNDER THE LAWS OF JAPAN. ALL PROPERTY, ACTIVITIES, AND RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE ABCC HAVE BEEN SUCCEEDED TO BY THE FOUNDATION, AS PROVIDED FOR IN THE NOTES EXCHANGED ON DECEMBER 27, 1974, BETWEEN MR. J.D. HODGSON, UNITED STATES AMBASSADOR TO JAPAN AND MR. K. MIYAZAWA, MINISTER OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS OF JAPAN AND IN THE RELATED RECORD OF DISCUSSIONS INITIALED ON THE SAME DATE. END TEXT.

5. EMBASSY WOULD APPRECIATE DEPARTMENT'S COMMENTS ON THESE DRAFT NOTES.
HODGSON

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